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and of John R. Rice

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A Letter to a New Convert

Dear —:

How happy it makes me to hear that you have trusted Christ as your Saviour. You may be sure that if in your heart you have depended upon Jesus the best you knew how, trusted Him in your heart, and surrendered to Him, He has now forgiven your sins and saved you. If you have any doubts about it, then take the gospel of John and read it carefully and prayerfully. Every time you come to a promise about believing on Christ, mark it and if possible, memorize it. You will find especially John 1:12, John 3:14-18, John 3:36, John 5:24, John 6:47, etc., a great comfort to your heart. One who trusts in Jesus already has salvation.

Now then if you want to be happy there are several things you must do. Salvation is settled by believing, but happiness depends upon some other things, too. Here are some things that I urge you to do at once.

1. Claim Jesus openly before men. You should do that so everybody can know you are now trusting in Jesus and depending on Him. That does not mean you are boasting how good you are. It simply means that you admit you have trusted Jesus and you are willing to risk Him as your Saviour.

2. You should be baptized. Baptism does not save anybody, but it shows to the world that you have trusted Christ for salvation. As you go down into the water it pictures the burial of Jesus and as you come up it pictures that He is raised from the dead. It also shows that the old sinner that you were is now buried and you intend to live a new life.

3. Start out to read your Bible every day and have a time of prayer. Learn the Word of God, love it, be interested in it, meditate on it. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand it. You will find it rich in blessing and it will help to keep you from sin, help you to pray, help you to be happy, and give you full assurance. I would take all my burdens to the Lord every day and pray until I felt that He was guiding me and would give me the answer. Surrender to His will anew every day.

4. Begin now to try to win souls. You have friends unsaved. It is your duty to warn them, to love them, to pray for them and try to show them how to trust Jesus Christ. To win souls two things are necessary: first, you must show them by the Bible how to be saved, and second, you must have the Holy Spirit to help you. He will, too, if you surrender to Him and ask for help.

5. You will make mistakes. You will sometimes sin. You are still a human being with the frailties and weaknesses of human beings. So if you fall into sin, do not think that God has quit you. Do not give up your hope. You have a blessed promise in First John 1:9: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." When you do wrong, confess it and ask Jesus to forgive

it and He will. Then you will still have sweet peace and joy and will be able to have victory day by day.

If you need further help, won't you let me know? I would like to help you to be a strong Christian.

I am sending you my booklet, "Can A Saved Person Ever Be Lost?"

I thank you for writing me and I praise God for your decision to trust Christ.

Your brother in Him,

"THE PRICE OF COMPROMISE"

Sunday Night Sermon of Evan. Joe B. Rice at Fundamental Baptist Tabernacle, 201 East Tenth Street, Dallas, Texas.

This sermon will be full of Bible illustrations and examples. Come worldly, powerless church members, see yourself and your sins in the mirror of God's Word. Unsaved friends, your compromises with Satan are the milestones on your road to Hell. Sunday night service begins at 7:30.

Hear Evangelist Joe B. Rice also on WRR Sunday morning from 7:30 to 8:00. And you have an invitation to our Bible School at 9:30 and to hear Evangelist Rice at the 11:00 o'clock service.

Young people's service at 7:00 Sunday night.

Last of Church Building Floored

Little by little, by the faithfulness of God and the help of His people, the Fundamental Baptist Tabernacle in Dallas is being completed by the Fundamental Baptist Church which occupies it. This summer the ceiling was put in the auditorium. Permanent lighting system was installed. Last week, in the pastor's absence, the men of the church supervising it, they put the concrete floor in the Junior department and all the ground floor of the Sunday School section on the building. Only last year we put the floor in the auditorium. The lot has been all paid for, and all the building up to date except the floor poured last week. We will have it paid in a few days, God willing. Then we hope to seat the remainder of our large auditorium with good seats or pews before the fall Dallas Bible School Thanksgiving.

To my dear people, carrying on for Jesus Christ and the gospel in my absence, goes all my love and pride and prayers. Let us bring our gifts to the house of God and pray that He may be pleased with them, and use them that many, many may be saved and many more be taught the Word of Life.

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Editor in Minneapolis and St. Paul

The editor of the *Sword of the Lord* is in services at Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, for the balance of October, God willing. At present, till Sunday, I am speaking at Windom Park Baptist Church each night, with Pastor Eugene Anderson. It is a small church and the crowds have not been large. Some have been saved, and we have met many friends. One woman who comes, I baptized in Ft. Worth several years ago, after winning her to Christ from the delusion of Christian Science, I believe. One dear man who has been in a number of services heard me over the radio in Dallas, while he was away out in North Dakota.

It has been a joy to speak at Northwestern Bible School with Dr. Riley, the president and founder, and Dr. Robert L. Moyer, dean. A splendid student body heard me kindly. A new and valued friend is Brother R. G. Blank of the Family Altar Broadcast here in Minneapolis (not to be confused with the broadcast of the same name by Brother Cedarholm at Waterloo). As I came through Kansas City it was my pleasure to be entertained in the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Morgan of Central Baptist Church. Brother Jaudon, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church was with us at the bountiful dinner, and our fellowship was sweet. Then I visited the Kansas City Bible College with Dr. Walter L. Wilson, president, and afterward Dr. Wilson and friends took me about over the city. I was unable to accept the dinner invitation of the charming Mrs. Wilson, but hope she will extend it again. Thank God for friends who love the Lord Jesus and delight in His Word and service.

Next Sunday we begin a revival in the Temple Baptist Church at St. Paul, with Brother Musk, pastor. They have a splendid new auditorium, a growing work and are expecting a real revival from heaven. May God give it out of His abundant mercy, and to His own glory.

Beginning Monday, October 17, I will preach daily on the Family Altar Broadcast, Minneapolis, on Radio Station WGGY, 1180 kilocycles, at 7:00 a.m. This broadcast has been carried on for nearly six years by Brother Blank. We trust that the great radio audience will be blessed.

I will be specially grateful if readers of *The Sword of the Lord* will pray for me. If it please and honor our God and Saviour I hope to have physical health and a special endowment of power from heaven, a filling with the Holy Spirit to enable me to win many, many souls and bless many Christians with the gospel message. And I believe and expect a blessing and thank God. Please pray, too, that the Lord will put it on the hearts of His people to subscribe, to renew, or to send offerings as pleases God to pay the printing bill in full and keep it paid up. He is blessing, praise His name!

Dear loved, the time is short! Let us win souls while we can. Be sure that friends see and read the sermon in this issue. Many will be interested in it, we believe. A great crowd heard the message as preached in Dallas.

Are you planning to attend the (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

"Wars and Rumors of Wars"

THE OUTCOME OF THE PRESENT EUROPEAN SITUATION ACCORDING TO BIBLE PROPHECIES

(Sunday night sermon of Dr. John R. Rice at Fundamental Baptist Tabernacle, 201 E. Tenth Street. Stenographically Reported).

"For the mystery of iniquity doth already work; only he that now letteth will let until he be taken out of the way."

"And then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth; and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming;

"Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders" (II Thess. 2: 7-9).

"And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast."

"These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength to the beast."

"For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill His will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled" Rev. 17:12, 13, 17).

I am going to speak tonight on the European war scare. Right at this moment there is not a war in progress but the Bible tells that "wars and rumors of wars" will increase till the end, and there are certain things that are taking place in Europe that will inevitably lead to war. All the war correspondents agree that war is postponed only

for the time being. First, let us review the present European crisis before I read some Scriptures.

Just the other day Hitler, the chancellor of Germany, announced that unless by the first day of October the Sudeten part of Czechoslovakia (the part now inhabited by German-speaking people) was ceded to Germany, he would march in and take it by force. Already he had his armies on the border. Our president sent two special messages to Hitler, reinforced by messages from Sir Neville Chamberlain of England, and Premier Daladier of France. Finally when Mussolini intervened and suggested a conference, Hitler agreed. The big four of the special meeting were Hitler of Germany, Mussolini of Italy, Daladier of France and Chamberlain of Great Britain. These four met together in Munich, Germany, and they agreed in the main to Germany's demands. Germany was not to march in immediately to take the territory. An International Police force was to take care and see that there was no disorder. The territory with a predominantly German population was to be given to Germany and ownership of other contested territory in Czechoslovakia was to be settled by plebiscites, that is, by vote of the people. They could decide

whether they would be with Germany or Czechoslovakia. At the same time Poland demanded a certain part of Czechoslovakia, a certain part inhabited by Polish people. Though that was not dealt with in detail at the Four Power Conference at Munich, yet by the report of the newspapers, we know Czechoslovakia has surrendered to their demands also.

Now with these great events occurring there must be some things happening that God's Word tells about, and that is true. Everywhere you find the deepest kind of concern in the newspaper editorials and everybody else with sense and understanding of international affairs sees a very great danger and sees these are changing days. What will be the outcome? The newspapers seem not to know, and yet the Bible tells some of the details so clearly that we should have no doubt about it. I am not going to give you speculation or guesses tonight but I will show you from the Bible some things that are certainly coming to pass as a result of what is taking place now in Europe.

Bible Proven Accurate Forecast Of Future Events

The Bible is the Word of God and can prove itself to be the Word of God. Already on history that Bible has so clearly foretold the things of the future and they have been foretold to the letter in so many cases that an honest and intelligent man cannot doubt that the Bible is the Word of God.

For example, note the first com- (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

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ing of Christ; the coming of Christ was foretold down to the very day. In Daniel the 9th chapter we are told that there would be 483 years, or sixty-nine weeks of years beginning with the command by Cyrus to restore the Jews from Babylon to Jerusalem. These 483 years to the coming of Messiah, the Prince, was fulfilled to the letter, and Jesus came exactly "in the fullness of the time" (Gal. 4:4). It was prophesied Christ would be born of a virgin (Isa. 7:14). It was prophesied he would be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2), that He would be called a Nazarene and that later He would ride into Jerusalem on the foal of an ass (Zech. 9:9). It was prophesied He should be killed, with not a bone broken (Exo. 12:46); that He should be pierced: "They shall look upon me who they have pierced" (Zech. 12:10). And again Psalm 22:16 said ahead of time, "They pierced my hands and my feet." (See also Zech. 13:6). It was prophesied in detail how He would be killed by the wicked (Isa. 53 and Psa. 22), and that He would make His grave with the wicked (the two thieves) and with the rich in His death (buried in Joseph's tomb). Hundreds of details of the life and death of Christ were prophesied, and in Psalm 22 was foretold the very words that He would say when He hung on the cross: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" The taunts of rulers down in front of Him were foretold and the mockery from the crowd. It was foretold "for my garments did they (the soldiers) cast lots." Thus was foretold His death and then later His resurrection from the dead and it all proves that this Bible is the Word of God. It has proven itself.

Bible Proven Word of God By Fulfillments of Prophecy About Jews

And in historical matters the same thing is true. Back in Genesis, the first book of the Bible, the first book of the Old Testament, there began a line of truth. God said to Abraham, "I am going to give you and your seed all the land of Palestine. Look north, east, south and west, all the land I will give to you and your seed for an everlasting inheritance (Gen. 13:14-17 and Gen. 17:7, 8). Following on down the Scripture tells us in Deuteronomy the 28th chapter that the Jews, because of their sin, will be cast out to all nations and all the world. Then Deuteronomy, chapter 30, foretells that eventually they will be regathered. The first part of that prophecy has been fulfilled to the very letter. Jesus came into Jerusalem and said to His disciples, "When ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh." He told how Israel should be scattered out to all the world until the times of the Gentiles should be fulfilled (Luke 21:20-24). Then Israel will have their own independent nation again. Later on they will come back, be brought back.

"When ye shall see Jerusalem com-

passed with armies." That prophecy was fulfilled in 70 A. D. when Titus, the Roman general, surrounded with the Roman army the city of Jerusalem and one million, one hundred thousand Jews were put to death. The temple burned down at that time. Since that time Jerusalem has been an Arab city, and Jews have been scattered to all the world.

All right, that was prophesied and fulfilled to the letter.

The Course of Empires and Nations Clearly Foretold and Fulfilled, Proves the Bible, the Word of God, Infinitely Correct

Clearly the Bible foretells the course of the nations.

In Daniel the Second chapter, Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, had a dream. In this dream he saw a great statue or image but he had forgotten the dream. Did you ever forget what you had dreamed? This man forgot his dream. He called the fortune-tellers, the soothsayers, and all the wise men and they couldn't tell him what his dream was. He was about to destroy all the wise men and Daniel as well, when Daniel sent word God would reveal the dream and the interpretation thereof. So they called in Daniel and he said, "I will tell you what your dream was. You saw a great statue of a man." The king said, "That is right." "His head was of gold, breast of silver, belly and thigh of brass, feet and toes of iron, etc." The king said, "That is right." Daniel said, "I will tell you what it means. The head — 'Thou art this head of gold' — the first of great world rulers, Babylon. After you is the Media-Persian Empire, the next one is Greece under Alexander the Great, then the Roman Empire" — which was divided into the eastern and western Empire. That event was fulfilled to the very letter. And that statue and image have all been fulfilled down to the iron and clay of the ten toes of the feet. The world Empires came in that order: Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece and Rome. Rome was divided into the eastern and western Empire with the eastern headquarters at Constantinople and the western headquarters at Rome, as pictured by the two legs of the image.

In the Seventh chapter of Daniel is the same teaching. Daniel said, "I saw four beasts coming out of the great sea." The great sea in the Bible is the Mediterranean Sea. It is the sea of prophecy. That little Mediterranean Sea is more important than the Atlantic Ocean, the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Arctic Sea and the Antarctic Sea; in fact, it is more important than any other body of water in prophecy. All the world empires have centered around the shores of the Mediterranean Sea and out of that great sea Daniel said, "I saw a lion with eagle's wings (Babylon). I saw a bear next and it had three ribs in its mouth (these three ribs are Media-Persia and Babylon, the nucleus of the Medio-Persian Empire)." And Daniel said, "The next one I saw was a leopard with four heads and four wings." This was the Grecian Empire under Alexander the Great, who made a speedy conquest of all the whole world by the time he was 30. He died when he was 32, and the Empire divided into four heads, given to four of His generals. Daniel said, "I saw another beast dreadful and terrible. It had ten horns. It was diverse and terrible." And then he said, "I saw arising in the midst of the ten horns on this fourth beast, a little horn. It had eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth speaking blasphemy and great things." Daniel said, "I wish I knew what that beast was and what it meant." The angel of God said, "I will tell you what it means. That beast is the last great Empire that will rule the whole world." So no world-wide Empire has followed after the Roman Empire dissolved. Other Empires tried but failed. Charlemagne tried but failed. Napoleon tried it but failed. Kaiser Wilhelm tried and failed. Daniel 7 and Revelation 13 and 17 teach that the Roman Empire will be restored again to rule the world. "Well," Daniel said, "What about the little horn?" The angel said, "That lit-

tle horn, I will tell you about it. Those ten horns out of the head of the beast are the ten kingdoms that will come out of the Roman Empire. That other little horn is a dictator, a ruler who will arise, who will restore the Roman Empire. This man is the Man of Sin, the Antichrist that will war against the saints, and rule the world."

Now since the Bible to this date has been fulfilled to the letter, and these empires, Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece and Rome all came in order as prophesied, then Rome divided into the Eastern and Western Empires, then broke up into the ten kingdoms pictured by the toes of the statue in Daniel 2, and the ten horns of the beast in Daniel 7, we know the rest of the Bible prophecies will come to pass.

Europe Now Ready to Restore Roman Empire as Prophesied

Now we will skip to the 13th chapter of Revelation. We see the picture taken up again. The Bible is the only true text book of history that looks into the future. Everybody else guesses and supposes and hopes but the Bible tells the future. *This Bible tells the future!* I hope I have shown you enough already to prove to you that the Bible can be relied upon in history.

Now then in the 13th chapter of Revelation the Bible takes up again the story of the four-beasts of the Roman Empire and the little horn, the dictator, the ruler, the blasphemer, the Antichrist who will come up and seize control of the former Roman Empire, now divided into ten horns or ten kingdoms, and will restore again the Roman Empire and become a world dictator. He will be the Antichrist, the ruler of the whole world. Revelation 13:7 says God will give the nations into his hands and give him power over every kindred and tongue and tribe, and the Scripture says over all the earth, and then goes on to say that it was given unto him to make war with the saints and to overcome them and that they will be given into his hands for a time and times and the dividing of times (Three and a half times, or years), of forty-two months or 1,260 days (Rev. 13:5; Rev. 11:2; Dan. 7:25).

Now that I have given you a brief introduction I will read some Scriptures. In Second Thessalonians, chapter 2, verses 7, 8 and 9 we read. Are you ready?

"For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way."

"And then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming;

"Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders."

"For the mystery of iniquity doth already work." There is a mystery of Satan. That mystery was already working while Paul was on the earth. "Only he who now letteth" (one now hinders, prevents. That is the Holy Spirit). Through the years Satan has had his plan and Satan has been working but there has been one (the Holy Spirit) who through all these years has hindered and keeps down so that the Man of Sin cannot be revealed, so Satan could not bring his Antichrist.

Satan Plans to Have His Man, Antichrist, Rule World Instead of Christ

Satan wants to be God.

How Satan came to be the devil was this: he was once Lucifer, an angel of light or "son of the morning," as we read in the 14th chapter of Isaiah, verses twelve to seventeen. He said, "I will exalt my throne above the stars of God, and by his ambition and selfishness he rebelled against God and fell. Jesus said in Luke 10:18, 'I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.' So Satan then fell and his covetousness and his desire to have the place of God caused an angel to become Satan, our enemy. Satan wants to be God and so Satan looks good. Now he appears to people as an angel of light, so Satan's ministers come many times as angels of light. Satan is a deceiver. God sent His Son into the

world to save sinners so Satan has determined he will have one man of his to seize the world. If God let his Son be incarnate in the flesh and if Jesus, God's own Son, pre-existent with the Father, could come in flesh, Satan said, "I am going to have some man be Satan incarnate, some man to do my will in the world. Jesus must not reign in this world." The kingdoms in this world belong to Christ. He made them. He is to sit on David's throne (Isa. 9:7; I Sam. 7, 10-16; Luke 1:32, 33; Matt. 6:10; Zech. 14:9; Micah 4:1-7; Rev. 19:11-16). God has promised Christ will rule this world. Satan plans to put one man, with all Satan's power and signs and lying wonders in charge.

Satan met Jesus in the wilderness and said to Him, "If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." The next time Satan tempted Jesus and said, "If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down" after he had taken Jesus and set him on a pinnacle in the temple, and Jesus answered back, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." "All right," Satan said. "We will have it out. I will give you all the kingdom of the world if you will fall down and worship me," but Jesus said, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." So Satan left Him but it was the plan of Satan then to have man rule this world under his power. Now that is the plan of Satan, and one day he will have it for a brief time. This world is ruled by Satan the god of this world. This world is ruled by "the prince of the power of the air." The governments of this world are also ruled by him. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work." It is working all the time but the Holy Spirit will have to be taken out before Satan takes control. When will Satan present his false Christ? Satan has false Christs, has Antichrists, will have one man definitely indwelt by Satan like Jesus was the very Son of God. When Satan brings up such a man, he will put all power in him. Listen to what I have read you.

"For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way."

"And then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming;

"Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders."

That will be one who will be "the wicked," the wicked one, the Man of Sin the Scripture says here, one Man of Sin "whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders." One man is going to come and rule in the power of Satan, marvelous power, miracle-working power of Satan, with lying wonders. This cannot happen until first the Holy Spirit and saints of God are taken out at the rapture when Christ comes to meet us in the air and then the Man of Sin will be revealed. Then when Jesus comes back with us to the earth to reign, He will destroy with the brightness of His coming, Satan's false Christ, Satan's ruler of this world.

Ten Kingdoms of Roman Empire Now to Be Restored Under Man of Sin Ready for Christ's Return to Reign

The past is told you in history but only the Bible tells the future. In Daniel 2, the statue of a man

has a head of gold. This was the world Empire under Babylon. This government was a good government. Next, Media-Persia, with breast and arms of silver. Notice it is decreasing in value — gold, then silver; belly and thigh of brass, and then feet and toes of iron — a stronger kingdom, but more corrupt. Then the ten toes have been stretched out over a long period of time. These are the ten nations that came out of the old Roman Empire. Now then, beginning with the ten toes, nations once in the Roman Empire. Spain was part of the Roman Empire. Italy was part of the Roman Empire. Germany was part of the Roman Empire. Turkey was part of the Roman Empire. Egypt was part of the Roman Empire. France was part of the Roman Empire. Southern England was part of the Roman Empire. The Balkan states were part of the Roman Empire. Syria, Palestine was part of the Roman Empire. That Empire is to be restored, in the plan of God, by the Antichrist, and when it is fulfilled, then the great image of Daniel 2, picturing all the Gentile world powers, is to be broken to pieces and destroyed by a stone cut out

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great Dallas Bible School Thanksgiving week, November 20-27? Remember that people will be present from many states: Dr. Robert Moyer, Dr. R. G. Lee, Rev. Sam Morris, Dr. Robert J. Wells, and other greatly used preachers and Bible teachers will speak and great singing will bless all hearts. Preachers and wives will be given bed and breakfast free if they write ahead, and as long as we can.

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of a mountain without hands, Christ. Notice the stone is to hit the image, not on the head, not on the shoulders, not in the belly and thighs, in the days of Alexander the Great, not in the legs in the days of the first Roman Empire, but IN THE TOES! It will come after Spain is a separate nation, France a separate nation, Germany a separate nation, Italy a separate nation, Egypt a separate nation, Turkey a separate nation, etc., as they are now, but federated together again under a revived empire. In the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up his kingdom on earth, the Scripture says, when the kingdom of the Man of Sin, the wicked is destroyed by Christ's second coming. Evidently we are seeing something happen. The Roman Empire is beginning to form again, ready for these great events.

Let me read you again about the ten kings. Begin with verse 12 of Revelation, the 17 chapter. Daniel saw a beast, John saw the same beast which represented the Roman Empire.

"12. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; (when John lived they hadn't separated Roman Empire) but receive power as kings one hour with the beast."

"13. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."

"14. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them; for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings; and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."

"15. And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are

peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

"16. And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, (Roman Catholicism) and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire."

"17. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast..."

Now God has put it in the hearts of these ten nations and their dictators and premiers and chancellors to give the kingdoms unto one man who will restore the Roman Empire! The president of a League of Nations of Europe or a United States of Europe will eventually take the dictatorship of the whole world in the power of Satan. But all power and signs and lying wonders will be destroyed when Jesus returns to reign on the earth.

Do you see that? How many are learning something?

God Put in Hearts of Chamberlain, Daladier, Hitler and Mussolini To Unite

Four people the other day met around a conference table. "Pull up your chair, Mussolini, Hitler, Chamberlain, we are glad you got here in time from England. You had a long way to come. We would have gone on without you. Daladier, we are glad you are here." These four men gathered the other day in South Germany and took authority to patch up the affairs of Europe, more or less. They said to Czechoslovakia, "We will give Germany this much territory and we recommend that Poland get this much." They said that around a table the other day. Let's take up these nations one at a time. Do you see the plan of God? Remember I am talking about that "mystery of iniquity," the devil's plan to weld these nations into one, have one ruler over the nations, fill him with Satanic power and claim to be God on earth as a false Christ and Antichrist. My friend, how plain it is that the mystery of iniquity is already working but the Man of Sin can't be revealed yet until God takes His saints out. Then the Man of Sin will be revealed, that wicked one, "whose coming is with all power and signs and lying wonders." Jesus will destroy him with the brightness of His coming when He brings us down here to reign. The mystery is working. It was seen around that conference table.

Mussolini the Big Gainer in Four-Power Pact

First, England; what did England get out of it? I admire Lord Chamberlain of England. I believe he is a great man. It looked like for a good time his administration would fall and that they would take him out of office. The English sentiment renounced him but he stood by his conscience and today he is one of the most popular men in the world. Neville Chamberlain went to Munich; no wonder that when he was preparing for war and when he got the message from Hitler saying, "I will submit. I will give up plans to march and meet with you to settle the matter," tears came to Chamberlain's eyes. He was getting ready for war but he was going to war for principle. What did England get out of it? First of all, England is not in the plan of God as an important nation. Though "British-Israel" teachers want to make Anglo-Saxons the "ten lost tribes" of Israel, and say, "we are the people," they are mistaken. England is not especially important in the plan of God in these last ages. Individuals are in the plan of God but England as a nation is not discussed in prophecy, barely referred to. Through these years we have dealt with England and thought of England as the head of an Empire. It is one part of a small island as big as three or four Texas counties. We have talked of "The British Empire," on whose territory the sun never sets. The British Isles include Wales, Scotland, Ireland. The British Empire included also Canada, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, and India, with other islands and provinces. But, mark you, Canada had no representative at that table!

New Zealand had none! Egypt, the British protectorate, had none. Palestine, the British mandate had none. England was there as one small nation on the tiny little island of England! Canada is still a dominion, but with a separate government. England could not depend on Canada to help fight in defence of Czechoslovakia. England could not depend on Australia. The English people are a great people, but with only 40 million people, about a third the population of the United States. She deals for herself. She is a great people, but Chamberlain sat in that conference at Munich representing but a small nation, not a world Empire. She came out with peace and honor, but no more territory and not very large influence.

France came out with gain. Did you know France and Italy have been at sword's point? Here is why. Italy raped Ethiopia against law, conscience, and went in there and took what was not their's, took it without excuse. Mussolini then proclaimed the king of Italy the emperor of Ethiopia. France never did send a minister or an ambassador with credentials signed and accredited to the Emperor of Ethiopia, but only to king of Italy. Mussolini said, "Send him home." France has had no ambassador at the court of Italy for many months. But that break was healed at the conference table the other day. France and Italy will be friends because France is consenting to the rebuilding of the empire of Rome!

Notice this: though Italy and Germany are quite good friends, Germany is not a Latin nation. Italy and France and Spain and Portugal are Latin nations. Their language came from old Latin language, and they have much in common in language and tradition and blood. France and Italy border. The four man conference at Munich is likely to mean from this time on France and Italy will be closer together. The mystery of iniquity is working. God is getting ready to restore the Roman Empire. They made peace the other day around a table.

Germany — what did Germany get? Everybody thinks Hitler won the other day. He was not the prominent one. He got a little strip with 3 million Germans in it, rich soil, good country, and he got it without war. That is all Germany wants and it is all the right she has to in Europe. I have no patience nor admiration for Hitler. He is not only an egotist, but is an atheistic, godless man with no morals, a demagogue riding on a wave of depression and anti-semitisms. Nevertheless Hitler had some claim on those German people. Mark you, the ideal of Germany is one kind and the ideal of Mussolini is entirely different. Germany's ideal is a race ideal. That means a man of a different race don't fit. Jews can't fit into the plan of Italy. They want a German race and German language, a German culture. That is the ideal of Hitler. Notice that Mussolini's ideals are very different. The Roman Empire is to rule the whole world. He would never be content with just one race. Ancient Rome ruled and took into citizenship men of all races. The other day at the conference table Mussolini had the deciding voice. When Mussolini dictated terms of peace everybody subscribed to them. Mussolini went away with more influence than he ever had in the world. The Roman Empire is on its way. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work."

Four Men Now, Ten Soon, Who Will Support a Dictator at Rome

Why? I read the reason to you a while ago. For these ten kingdoms — what about them? "For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast." And Chamberlain didn't know it, Daladier didn't know it, Hitler didn't know it but God said, "Go ahead, let the devil build an Empire. The mystery is working." Now I say, that was the beginning of the Four Power Pact, but mark you, it is not the end. There will be other meetings. Notice they said that within three month's time there would be another meeting of the men of the Pact to decide further details about border lines in Europe. They will have further meetings. Around

a council table gathered here, the Spanish question will come up. It must be decided who will take it. Germany had troops in Spain and so did Russia. Russia was left out of the conference table. Do you suppose she knows why? Germany hates them because they are Communistic. I don't blame them, but the real reason why Russia was left out is taught in the Bible. Russia never was in the Roman Empire. God has other plans with Russia as Gog and Magog. Russians will not be allowed at the conference table. That council table will have other kings at some future meeting, till ten rulers gather. Will it be France or Spain? Do you think so? Who will be it? Well, Hungary and Yugo-Slavia were left out of it. What about Egypt and Poland? At some future council table the world will see ten rulers sitting. Notice, they will have to have somebody to lead, somebody to be the president, and that man will be the Man of Sin. The Roman Empire will be restored

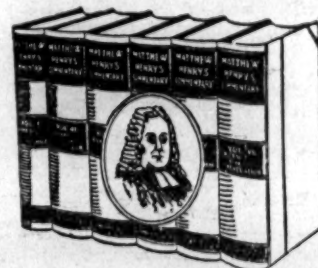
again in the hands of one man. "For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast." That thing is coming! The mystery is already working and the Bible is being fulfilled in Europe today.

The International Police Force Agreed on at Munich Is the Germ and Beginning of Army of Antichrist Foretold in Scriptures!

I will go a little further. About the conference; did you notice this? There is to be an international army to police Czechoslovakia until all decisions are brought to a vote of the common people. It will supervise the moving of machinery and war material with forces of Germany and Czechoslovakia on the border. Did you notice England, France and Italy are to go into Czechoslovakia to control with international police force or army, the disputed territory. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 4)

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tory? Now listen. Those armies will be directed by whom? Will it be England? Will it be France who is already honeycombed with Communism? No, it will be Mussolini. The international army will be largely controlled by Mussolini. Now mark you, God has said in Revelation 9:16:

"And the number of the army of the horseman (Antichrist) were two hundred thousand thousand."

Two hundred million men! in the army of the Man of Sin when he gets them all together. "And I heard the number of them."

I read in the 16th chapter. Did you know God cooperates with the devil? God makes the wrath of men to praise Him. God said, "There is my servant Job." The devil said, "Let me touch him." And God said, "I will let you." God cooperated with the devil in the case of Job. How many knew that? God cooperates with the devil. So God puts it in the hearts of kings and rulers to bow to the Antichrist. The Lord said, "This world is in sin, and men of the world are in sin. Let the devil have charge of them. Later I will send my Son back to the earth to take charge." After the battle of Armageddon the Lord Jesus Christ will come back to reign and then will reign over the whole earth.

Now let us read more about the coming army of the Man of Sin, or Antichrist. Read in Revelation 16. God sent His angel to pour out the vial (bowl of wrath).

"And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared" (Rev. 16:12).

Read on:

"And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and

out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

"For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles (what for?) which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."

"Behold, I come as a thief."

"You can't see me there," the Lord said. They gathered the other day at a council table. Mussolini with his iron jaw and Hitler with his trick mustache and Chamberlain and Daladier met around that table. They thought they were the only four but God Almighty was looking over their shoulders, and He said, "Go ahead." Satan has certain plans. Go ahead and build armies, get international armies started, have your council table, build a "United States of Europe," and when the man, that wicked man, that unregenerate man, Christless man, that devil-possessed man of sin comes, is revealed, put them in the hands of that one man. Then the Lord Jesus will come from Heaven and destroy the Roman dictator and his armies and we will have a kingdom on this earth. God is cooperating with Satan. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work," is working now, to fulfill all the things Satan has planned in this world. God put it in the hearts of those rulers to begin an international army, the beginning of the army of the Antichrist. Then when all the armies of the world get together and meet in the plains of Megiddo, the valley of Armageddon, and a force comes to sack Jerusalem, then the Lord Jesus Christ will come from Heaven with His angels with swords and smite the Antichrist and his army! Read in Zechariah fourteen and Revelation nineteen, verses eleven to twenty-one. They will be cast into hell and then the Lord Jesus will sit on the throne of David, Jews will be regathered to Palestine and the Lord's kingdom shall rule over all the earth!

Jesus shall reign where ere the sun

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He will be King over the whole world in that day.

Mystery of Iniquity Already Working — In Hatred of Jews

Notice now in the back of this scene Satan has a terrible force working—hatred of the Jews.

There is creeping into America a hatred for the Jews. They are hated because they have more money, because they work harder and do not have as many on relief. They control much of the business world—banks, picture shows, pawn shops, junk yards, etc., and people hate them. The devil is working in the hearts of people everywhere to hate the Jews. There is every kind of wicked persecution now in Italy against the Jews. Every Jew who has come in since 1929 has to be exported from Italy. If they leave Germany and Italy they can't take their capital with them. What will be the outcome? Persecution is hot in Germany and growing hot in Italy and the Jews are fleeing everywhere. There is no place in the world where Jews can go and find rest except back to Palestine. Just as fast as the Jews get out they come to America and make enough to get over to Palestine, and there are 300,000 Jews a year going back to their own land, Palestine. Over there they grow oranges. Their deserts are beginning to blossom with orange groves. Pretty soon they will be shipping out more fruit than Florida or California, with millions of bushels of oranges being shipped every year. So the Jews are rushing back to Palestine. Hitler and Mussolini running the Jews out of their land—what are they doing? They don't know it but the plan of God is working. God is making the Devil's hate work for Him! In Daniel the 9th chapter we are told that the coming Prince of the Roman people who destroyed Jerusalem will make a treaty with the Jews and they will have temple worship again and begin sacrifices again. Through these years they have been homeless, with no nation, no

language, no national home. Now they meet at the synagogue to worship but with no blood, they observe the passover time with no passover, they keep the day of atonement without any atoning blood! The Jews are hungry for Palestine, hungry for Old Testament sacrifices. What will happen over there? They will make treaty with the Man of Sin, a covenant, for one week of seven years, and will be allowed to start out to have the Old Testament oblations and sacrifices again. And then in the midst of the week, after three and one-half years, the Man of Sin will break his treaty, come in, enter into the temple and claim to be God and stop their worship. He will demand that they take the "mark of the beast" on their hand or forehead. Jews will run for their lives and millions will turn to seek God. They will hide out, God has prepared a place in the wilderness for them. They will be protected by many Gentiles who will have secretly turned to God in those days after the rapture. Then enters in the bloody time of the great tribulation and the Man of Sin will rule on the earth. Nobody else but God's Bible-loving saints know what this Jewish hate means, but God is planning it and He will make even the wrath of men to praise Him. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work." The mystery is working now. God has put it into their hearts to fulfill His will and give power to beast. Things are working out in Europe today!

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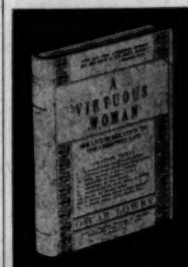
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